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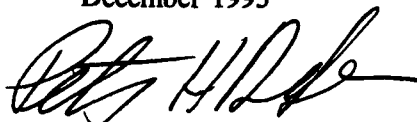
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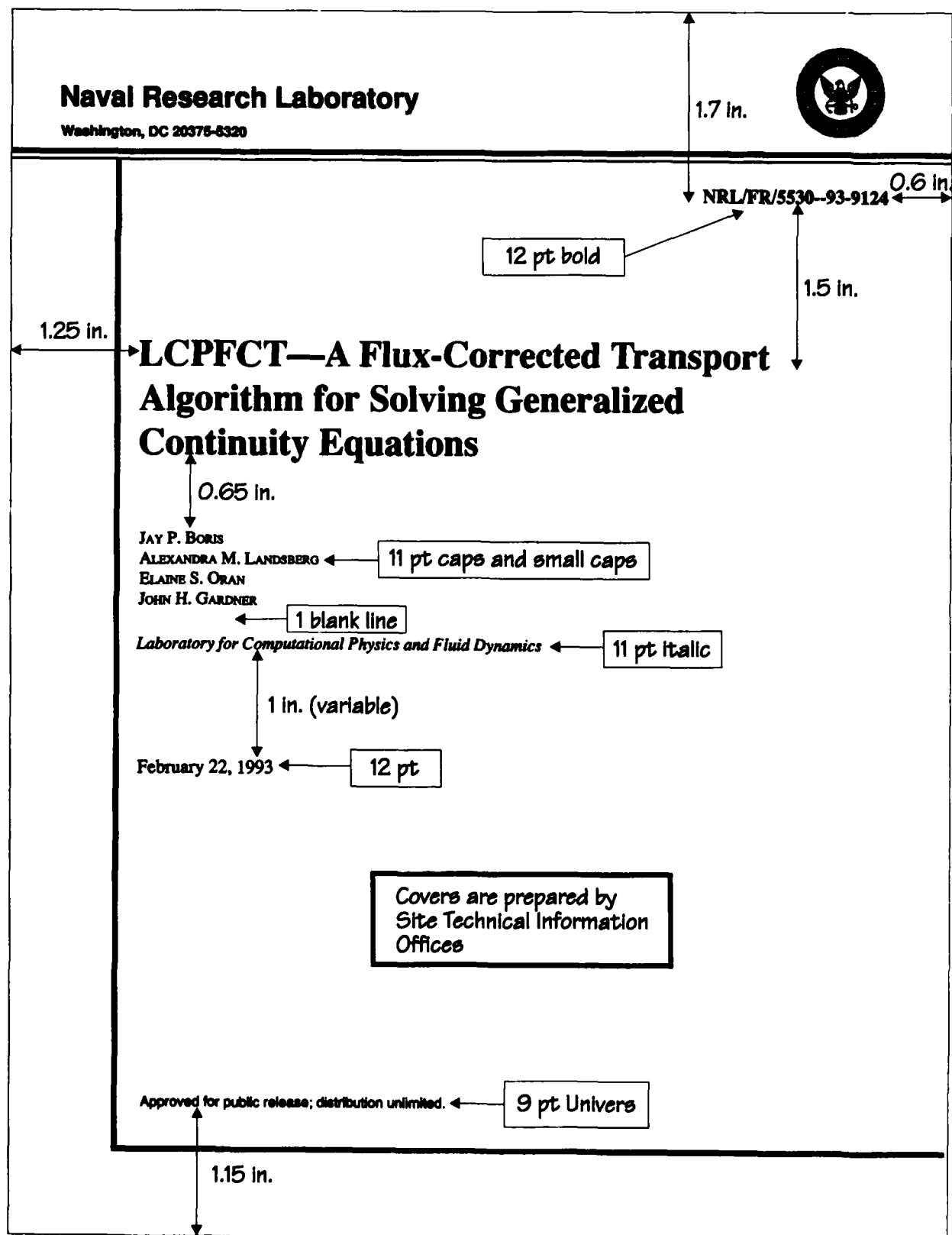


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CONTENTS

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Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Margins—Following Pages

	Inches	Points
Top	1	72
Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Fonts

Title	CG TIMES BOLD 12 PT FULL CAPS
Text	CG Times 11 pt
Page numbers	CG Times 11 pt

Double space between levels of headings. Limit the number of headings to two levels in the contents pages. (Three may be used in exceptional cases.)

Page Numbers

Text Items

Individual text entries indicate the pages on which they are found in the body of the text. The page numbers are placed flush right with dot leaders.

Page

The CONTENTS, as part of the front matter, are numbered with lowercase roman numerals beginning with iii.

LISTS OF FIGURES AND TABLES

Lists of figures and tables are generally not used. However, if the report contains a large number of figures and/or tables, such a listing might be desirable. These lists are given the centered titles of FIGURES and TABLES. They immediately follow the CONTENTS page(s).

If both lists are used, they do not have to be on separate pages; use two blank lines to separate them.

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Fig. 3 — Contents

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (if used) follows the CONTENTS and precedes the first page of text of the body of the report. The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY is set up as shown in the sample.

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Margins—Following Pages

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Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Fonts

Title	CG TIMES BOLD 12 PT FULL CAPS
Text	CG Times 11 pt
Headings	See Regular Text Page sample (page 10).
Page numbers	CG Times 11 pt

Page Numbers

The EXECUTIVE SUMMARY is numbered with compound numbers beginning with E-1.

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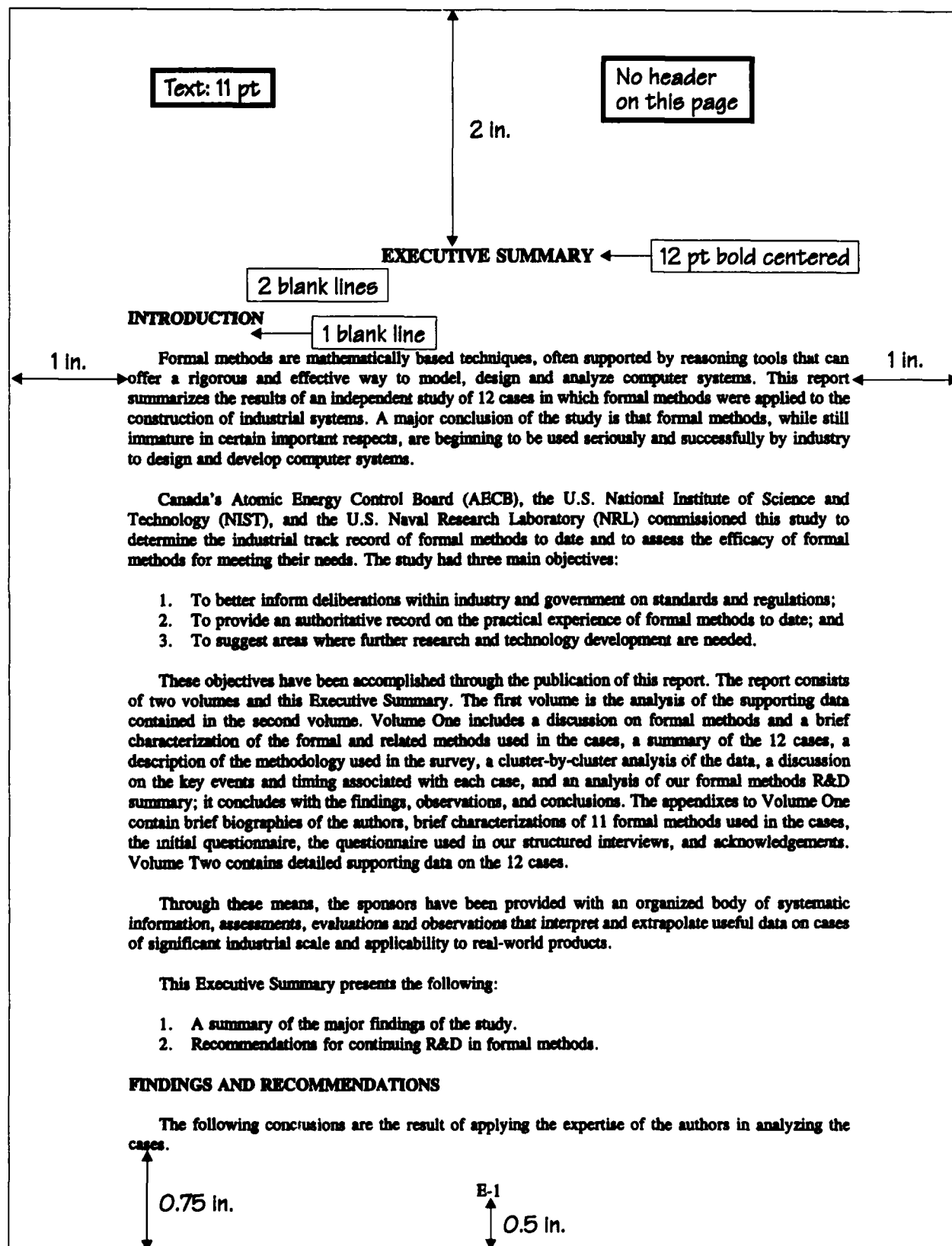


Fig. 4 — Executive Summary

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The first page of text is different from the succeeding text pages. The page number for only the first page is centered 0.5 in. from the bottom and is set in 11 pt CG Times using an arabic "1." (Page numbers on succeeding pages are contained in the headers.)

Margins—1st Page

	Inches	Points
Top	2	144
Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Fonts

Title	CG TIMES BOLD 12 PT FULL CAPS
Text	CG Times 11 pt
Heading 1	CG TIMES BOLD 11 PT FULL CAPS (FLUSH LEFT)
Heading 2	CG Times Bold 11 pt Initial Caps (Flush Left)
Heading 3	<i>CG Times 11 pt Italic Initial Caps (Flush Left)</i>
Heading 4	CG Times Bold 11 pt Initial Caps Indented
Heading 5	CG Times 11 pt Indented Initial Caps—Run in with paragraph.
Heading 6	CG Times 11 pt Indented initial cap of 1st word—Run in with paragraph.

Header

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There is one blank line between headings 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the text following these headings. Headings 5 and 6 have the text begin on the same line right after the heading. Figure 6 shows examples of headings 1 through 5. Figure 6 shows examples of headings 1 through 5.

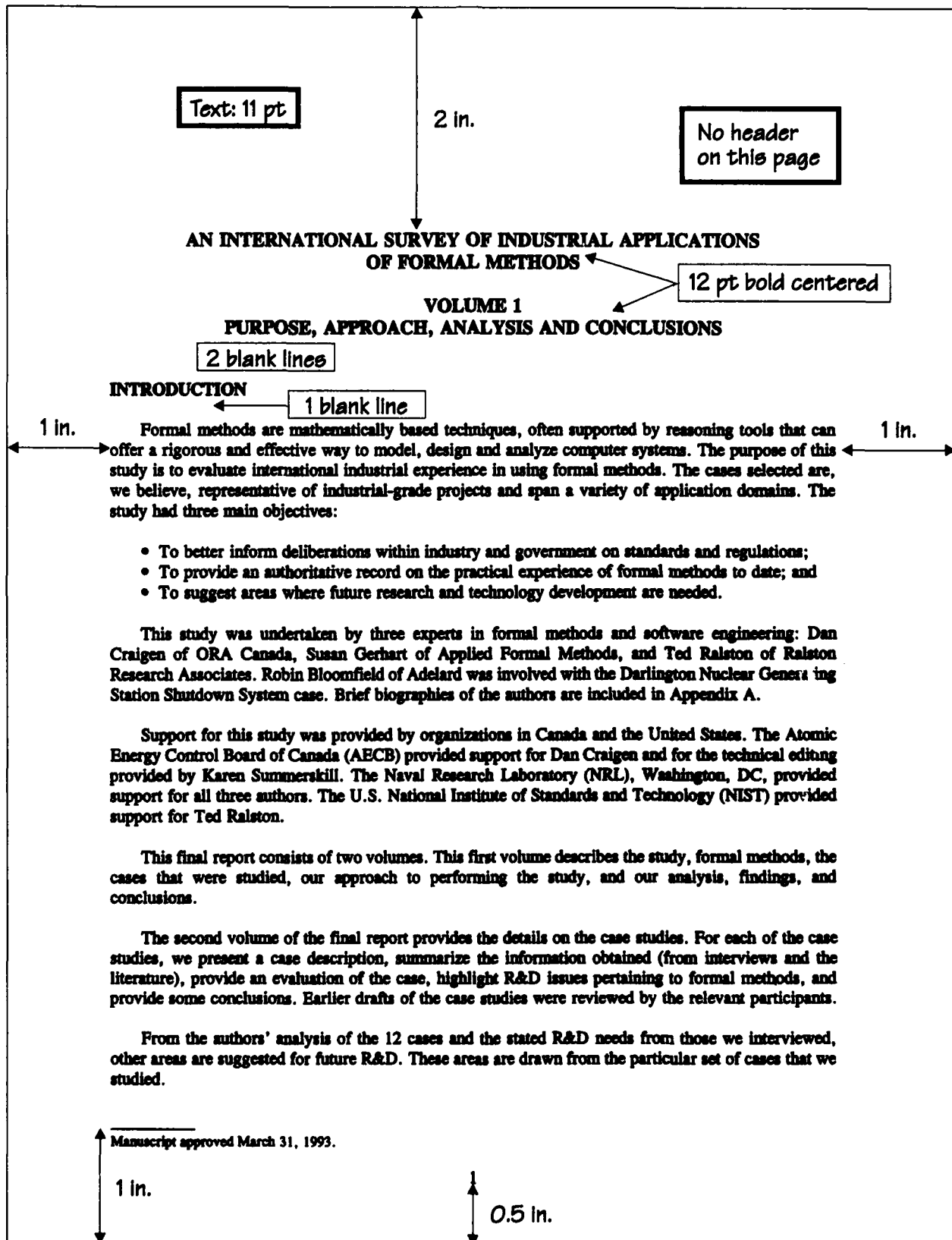


Fig. 5 — First page of text

REGULAR TEXT PAGE, LEFT-HAND PAGE

The next two samples illustrate the setup for regular text pages following the first page of text.

Margins

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Top	0.75	54
Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Header for Left-Hand Pages

The header for left-hand pages contains the page number (flush left) and the last name(s) of the author(s) (flush right) followed by a hard return (or 3 pt to ensure descenders do not run into or touch horizontal line). NOTE: In WordPerfect 5.1 for DOS this is a hard return plus 1/72 in. (1 pt).

If there is one author, use the author's full name. If two or three authors, use their last names only. If there are more than three authors, use only the first author's name, followed by "et al." (example: Craigen et al.). Note that there is no comma in front of *et al.*

Text is 10 pt CG Times italic.

A full-width horizontal line is placed under the header text. This line is 0.014 in. (1 pt) thick and 6.5 in. long (468 pt). After the line should be a vertical space of 0.025 in. (18 pt).

Vertical Spacing

There are two blank lines between the title and the start of the text. There is one blank line between paragraphs.

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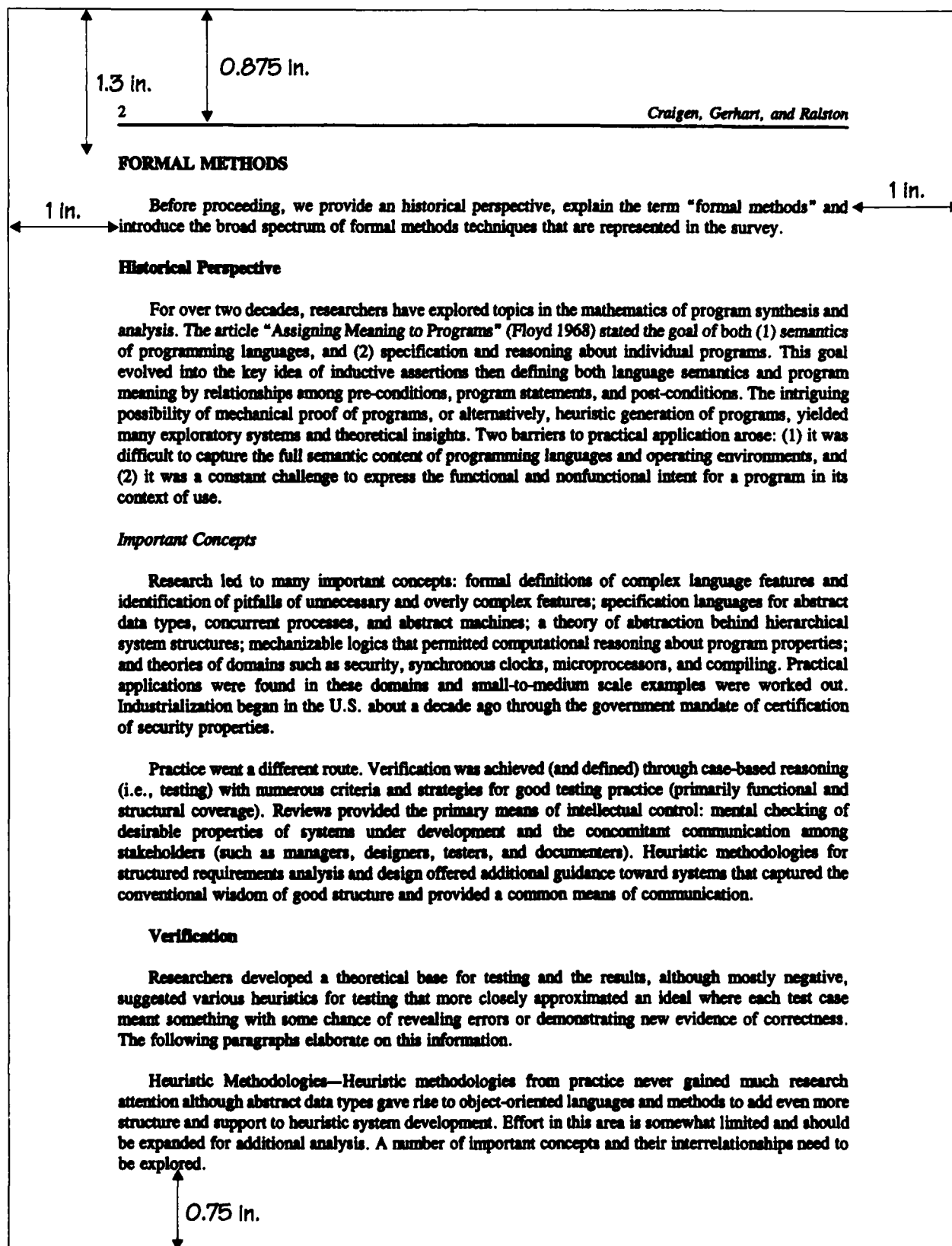


Fig. 6 — Regular text page, left-hand page

REGULAR TEXT PAGE, RIGHT-HAND PAGE

A right-hand text page is shown in the sample. It differs from the left-hand text page only in its header.

Margins

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Top	0.75	54
Bottom	0.75	54
Left	1	72
Right	1	72

Header for Right-Hand Pages

The header for right-hand pages contains a brief version of the report's title (flush left) and the page number (flush right) followed by a hard return (or 3 pt to ensure descenders do not run into or touch horizontal line). NOTE: In WordPerfect 5.1 for DOS this is a hard return plus 1/72 in. (1 pt).

Text is 10 pt CG Times italic.

A full-width horizontal line is placed under the header text. This line is 0.014 in. (1 pt) thick and 6.5 in. long (468 pt). After the line should be a vertical space of 0.25 in. (18 pt).

Vertical Spacing

There are two blank lines between the title and the start of the text. There is one blank line between paragraphs.

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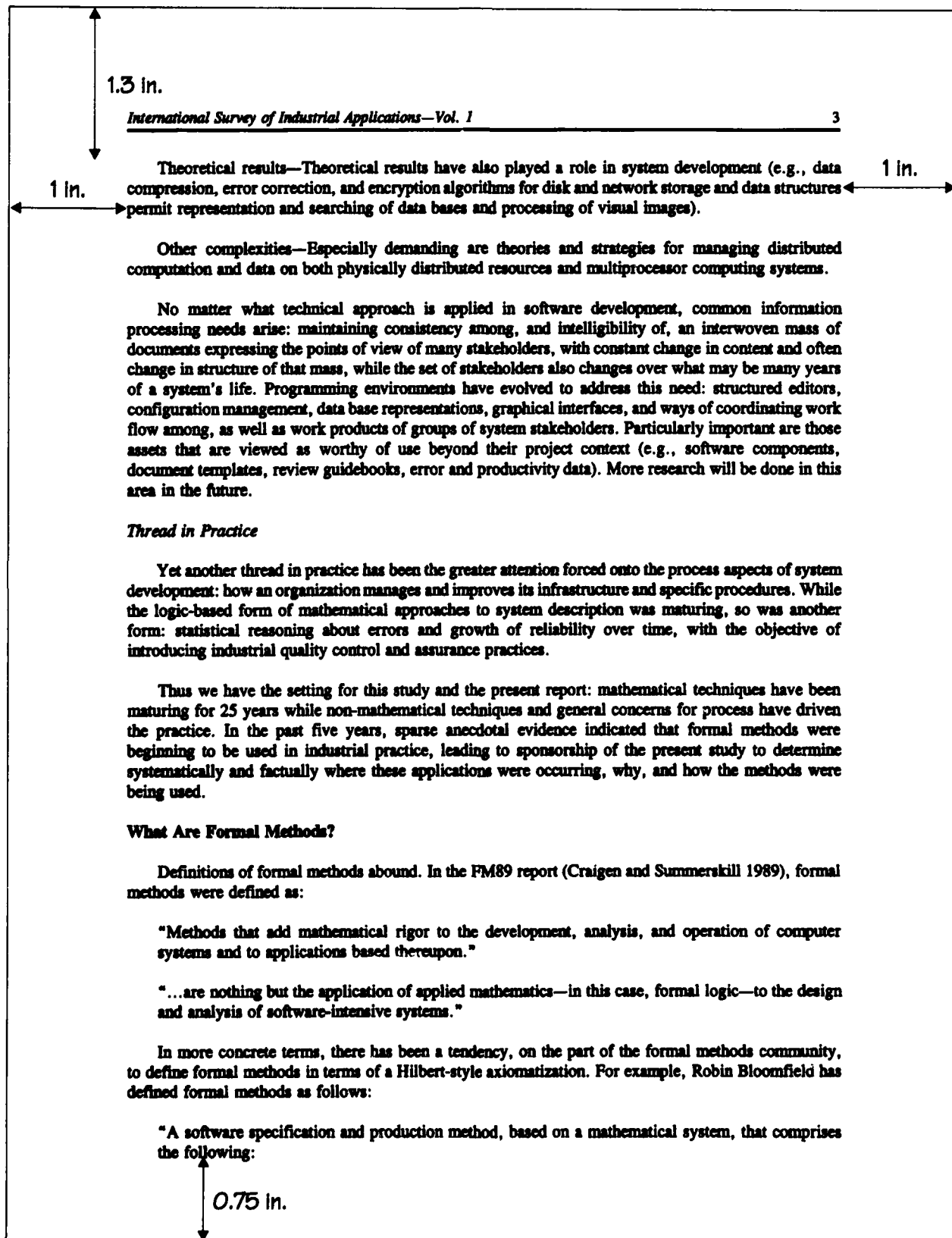


Fig. 7 — Regular text page, right-hand page

FIGURES

Location

Place figures as close as possible to where they are first mentioned. Figures that are full page in size are optically centered (a little above center). Avoid landscape and fold-in figures if possible. See your Site Technical Information Office for details on how to handle these special case figures.

Placement

Center the figure horizontally. Place it 0.5 in. (36 pt) below the baseline of the last line of text. There is 0.25 in. (18 pt) between the bottom of the figure and the baseline of the first line of the caption. Allow 0.5 in. (36 pt) between the baseline of the last line of the caption and the top of the next line of text. Labels and callouts are set in Helvetica and no smaller than 9 pt after final reduction.

Captions

Center the figure caption below the figure. The baseline of the first line of the caption is 0.25 in. (18 pt) below the bottom of the figure. Type is 9 pt CG Times. The first word is capitalized—the others are not (unless proper nouns). The caption does not end with a period (even if it is a complete sentence) unless it is followed by other sentences. If space below the figure is limited, captions may be placed beside the figure if there is room. The word *figure* is abbreviated as Fig. There is an em-dash between the figure number and the first word of the caption. An em-dash is equal in length to the type size.

Text Figures

Text figures are set in 10 pt CG Times. (See example on page 29.)

TABLES

Place tables within the text as close as possible to where they are first mentioned.

Placement

Center the table horizontally. Place it 0.5 in. (36 pt) below the last line of text, starting with the first line of the table title. Allow one hard return (0.17 in. or 12 pt) between the last line of the title and the top of the table. Allow 0.5 in. (36 pt) between the bottom of the table and the next line of text.

Titles

Center the table title 0.25 in. (18 pt) above the table. Type is 11 pt CG Times. Words in the title (except for articles) are initial caps. The title does not end with a period (even if it is a complete sentence) unless it is followed by other sentences. Place an em-dash between the table number and the first word of the title. An em-dash is equal in length to the type size. In this case, the em-dash is 10 pt long because the type is 10 pt in size. If the title is more than one sentence, only the first words are capitalized.

Size

Tables are set in 11 pt CG Times. Keep tables within the image area of the page (6.5 × 10 in.). To fit the area, tables may be set in a smaller type size (but no smaller than 8 pt).

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Craig, Gerhart, and Ralston

PATTERN RECOGNITION ALGORITHM

Suppose we have a digitized $I \times J$ image g and that this is convolved with a mask or kernel k of size $(2N + 1) \times (2N + 1)$ to form an unscaled image h . The variables involved are defined by Table 1. The process of optimization, as shown in Fig. 1, comprises a search for the mask k_{opt} in a domain, or set of acceptable masks, K for which $f(G, k)$ is maximum.

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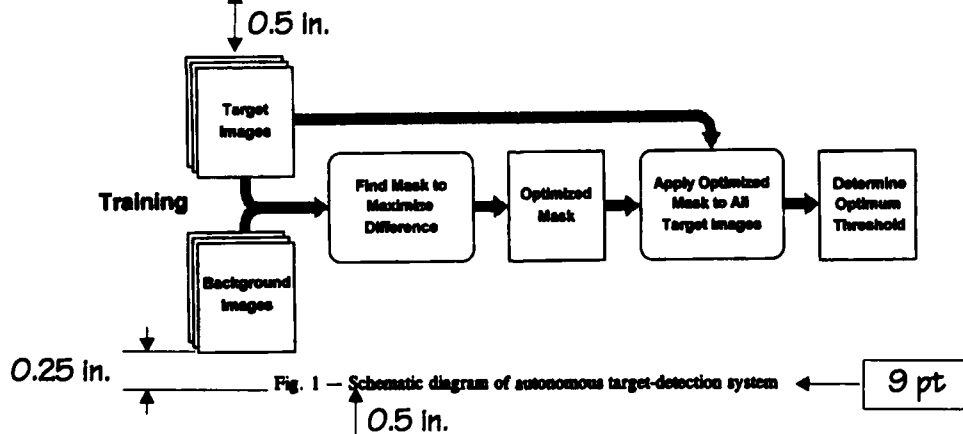
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Table 1 — Definitions of Variables

Object	Format	Class*	Domain†
Original Image	$g = g(i, j)$	$g, i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$	$0 \leq g \leq G$ $1 \leq i \leq I$ $1 \leq j \leq J$
Convolution Mask	$k = k(m, n)$	$k \in \mathbb{R}$ $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-K \leq k \leq K$ $-N \leq m \leq N$

* \mathbb{Z} represents the set of all integers and \mathbb{R} the set of all real numbers

† G is the maximum grey level in g , and K is the maximum absolute value for an element of k .



The convolution operation $h = g + k$ is commonly defined by

$$h(i, j) = \sum_{m=-N}^N \sum_{n=-N}^N g(i + m, j + n) \cdot k(m, n). \quad (1)$$

Where a mask is used as a feature detector (as in the current project), it is normal to apply the zero-sum constraint

$$\sum_{m=-N}^N \sum_{n=-N}^N k(m, n) = 0, \quad (2)$$

to prevent response to a uniformly gray image. In this case, we would expect the mean gray level for the convolved image to be zero so that in optimizing the mask k , we will be able to make use of the energy (or normalized variance) v of the convolved image.

Fig. 8 — Figure and table

APPENDIXES

Appendixes (if used) follow the main body of text and contain supplemental information. Although they stand alone, they must be mentioned in the text. They are set up in the same manner as the first page of text with two exceptions:

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Title

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Text

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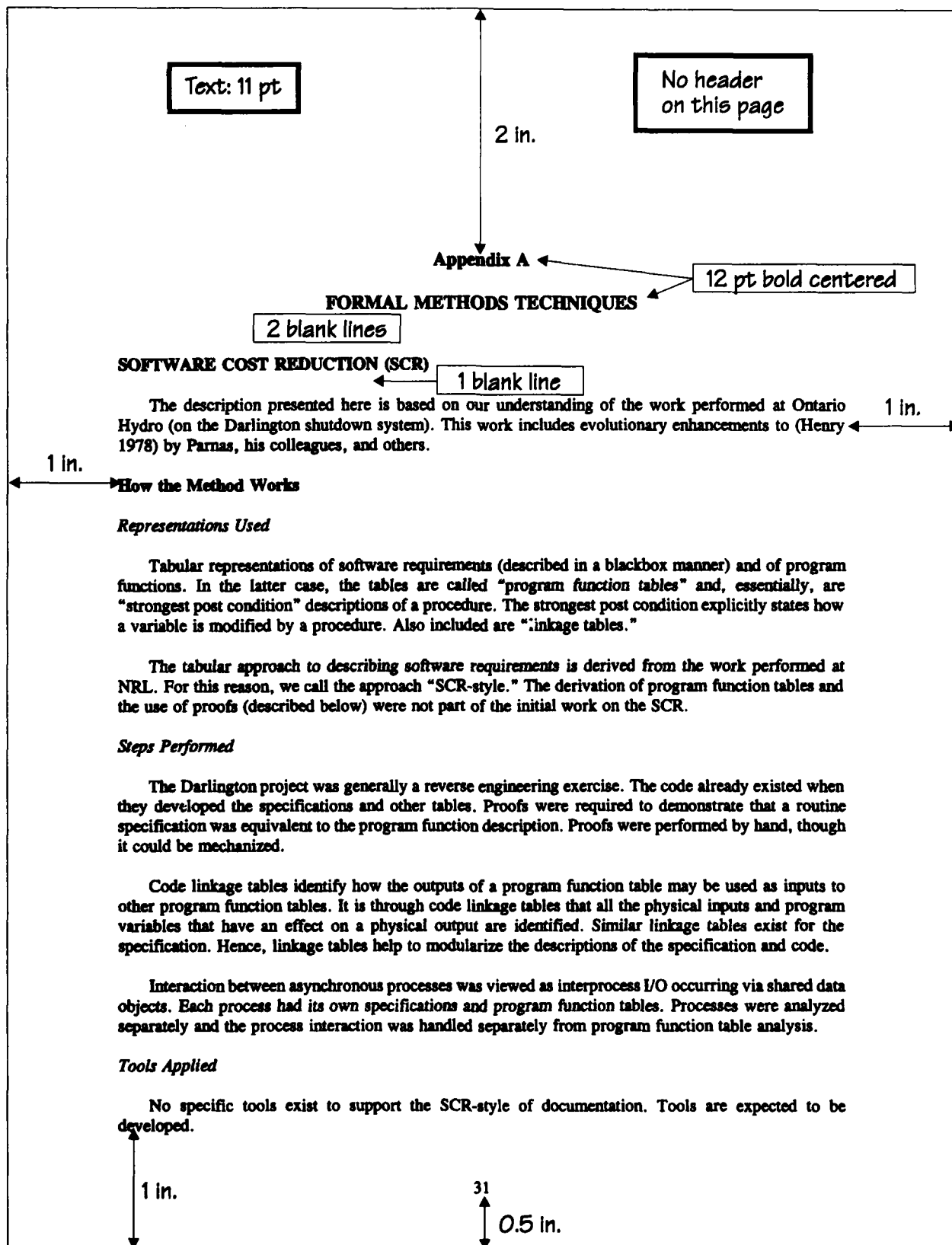


Fig. 9 — Appendix

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Text

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Footnotes

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Each footnote receives a classification marking.

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Caption

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Tables

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Title

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (U)

(U) INTRODUCTION

(U) Formal methods are mathematically based techniques, often supported by reasoning tools that can offer a rigorous and effective way to model, design and analyze computer systems. This report summarizes the results of an independent study of 12 cases in which formal methods were applied to the construction of industrial systems. A major conclusion of the study is that formal methods, while still immature in certain important respects, are beginning to be used seriously and successfully by industry to design and develop computer systems.

(U) Canada's Atomic Energy Control Board (AECB), the U.S. National Institute of Science and Technology (NIST), and the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) commissioned this study to determine the industrial track record of formal methods to date and to assess the efficacy of formal methods for meeting their needs. The study had three main objectives:

1. (U) To better inform deliberations within industry and government on standards and regulations;
2. (U) To provide an authoritative record on the practical experience of formal methods to date;
3. (U) To suggest areas where further research and technology development are needed.

(U) These objectives have been accomplished through the publication of this report. The report consists of two volumes and this Executive Summary. The first volume is the analysis of the supporting data contained in the second volume. Volume One includes a discussion on formal methods and a brief characterization of the formal and related methods used in the cases, a summary of the 12 cases, a description of the methodology used in the survey, a cluster-by-cluster analysis of the data, a discussion on the key events and timing associated with each case, and an analysis of our formal methods R&D summary; it concludes with the findings, observations, and conclusions. The appendixes to Volume One contain brief biographies of the authors, brief characterizations of 11 formal methods used in the cases, the initial questionnaire, the questionnaire used in our structured interviews, and acknowledgements. Volume Two contains detailed supporting data on the 12 cases.

(U) Through these means, the sponsors have been provided with an organized body of systematic information, assessments, evaluations and observations that interpret and extrapolate useful data on cases of significant industrial scale and applicability to real-world products.

(U) This Executive Summary presents the following:

1. (U) A summary of the major findings of the study.
2. (U) Recommendations for continuing R&D in formal methods.

(U) FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(U) The following conclusions are the result of applying the authors' expertise in analyzing the cases.

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OF FORMAL METHODS (U)****Volume 1****PURPOSE, APPROACH, ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSIONS (U)****(U) INTRODUCTION**

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- (U) To provide an authoritative record on the practical experience of formal methods to date; and
- (U) To suggest areas where future research and technology development are needed.

(U) This study was undertaken by three experts in formal methods and software engineering: Dan Craigen of ORA Canada, Susan Gerhart of Applied Formal Methods, and Ted Ralston of Ralston Research Associates. Robin Bloomfield of Adelard was involved with the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station Shutdown System case. Brief biographies of the authors are included in Appendix A.

(U) Support for this study was provided by organizations in Canada and the United States. The Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada (AECB) provided support for Dan Craigen and for the technical editing provided by Karen Summerskill. The U.S. Naval Research Laboratory (NRL), Washington, DC, provided support for all three authors. The U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) provided support for Ted Ralston.

(U) This final report consists of two volumes. This first volume describes the study, formal methods, the cases that were studied, our approach to performing the study, and our analysis, findings, and conclusions.

(U) The second volume of the final report provides the details on the case studies. For each of the case studies, we present a case description, summarize the information obtained (from interviews and the literature), provide an evaluation of the case, highlight R&D issues pertaining to formal methods, and provide some conclusions. Earlier drafts of the case studies were reviewed by the relevant participants.

(U) From the authors' analysis of the 12 cases and the stated R&D needs from those we interviewed, other areas are suggested for future R&D. These areas are drawn from the particular set of studied cases.

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(U) CASE SUMMARY

(U) Twelve projects were chosen as the object of our study. These projects can be divided into three clusters: regulatory, commercial and exploratory. Regulatory cases exhibit safety- or security-critical attributes and thereby attract the attention of the standards communities and agencies, and the regulators who will license the product for use. Commercial cases are those cases that involve purely profit concerns. Finally, the exploratory cases are those cases where the organizations involved were investigating the potential utility of formal methods in their own settings.

(U) The cases are international, involving organizations in Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States, and continental Europe. Available resources did not permit the inclusion of cases from Asia or Australia.

(U) We believe that the cases collectively uncover many factors that are relevant to evaluating the efficacy, utility, and applicability of formal methods. The cases also demonstrate different uses of formal methods. For example,

- (U) "modelization," where formal languages (e.g., Z) are used to model systems;
- (U) demonstrating conformance of code with specifications;
- (U) demonstrating conformance of design with requirements; and
- (U) the application of mathematical reasoning to solve difficult conceptual problems.

(U) Finally, we believe that the cases encompass many of the anecdotal claims, both pro and con, regarding formal methods.

(U) In the remainder of this section, we present summaries of our 12 cases. The cases are introduced in the context of the clusters. Our analysis of the collection of cases will be based on these clusters. Throughout the report we will make use of abbreviations to identify the cases; these abbreviations are introduced with the name of the case. Figure 2 presents an idea of the size of the applications involved. Of course, "lines of code" is a rather superficial measure and must be viewed with caution.

(U) Regulatory Cluster

(U) *Darlington: Trip Computer Software (DNCS)*

(U) Ontario Hydro and AECL developed computer-controlled shutdown systems for the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station (DNCS). When difficulties arose in obtaining an operating license from the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada (AECB), the Canadian regulator for nuclear generating stations, formal methods were applied to assure AECB that the software met requirements. The process was one of post-development mathematical analysis of requirements and code using Software Cost Reduction.

(U) The specifications, code and proofs require 25 three-inch binders for each of the two shutdown systems. While there is some discrepancy in the various papers on the amount of code for the two shutdown systems, the definitive word was that one of the shutdown systems (SDS1) has about 2500 lines of code.

(U) The use of the Software Cost Reduction approach finally convinced the AECB that the shutdown system was no longer a licensing impediment. The cases we investigated used a broad collection of formal

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(U) Specific Formal Methods

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(U) In Fig. 1, we associate the methods with the cases in which they have been used. Appendix B summarizes the methods. The cases are summarized in Section 3.

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- Software Cost Reduction (SCR): Darlington Nuclear Generating Station (DNCS)
 - B: SACEM
 - Cleanroom Software Methodology: COBOL Structuring Facility (COBOL/SF)
 - Formal Development Methodology (FDM): Token-Based Access Control System (TBACS)
 - Gypsy Verification Environment (GVE): Multinet Gateway System (MGS)
 - Hoare Logic: SACEM
 - Occam and Communicating Sequential Processes (CSP): INMOS Transputer
 - RAISE: Large Correct Systems (LaCoS)
 - Hewlett-Packard Specification Language
 - TCAS Methodology: Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System
 - Z: SSADM Toolset, Tektronix oscilloscopes, INMOS Transputer
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Fig. 1 — (U) Formal methods used in surveyed cases

(U) Our summaries of the methods are divided into two parts: we discuss how the method works, and present some observations. We subdivide our discussion on how the method works by identifying the:

- Representations used: What are the underlying notations?
- Steps performed: How are the representations used?
- Tools applied: What tools are generally used?
- Roles involved: Who does what and what skill do they have?
- Artifacts produced: What are the major products that are documented?

(U) For our observations we describe what the method achieves and the limitations of the method. We also identify other techniques that are supported and required and identify the user community. The rest of the report provides detailed information concerning the data collection process and how it was analyzed.

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(U) PATTERN RECOGNITION ALGORITHM

(U) Suppose we have a digitized $I \times J$ image g and that this is convolved with a mask or kernel k of size $(2N + 1) \times (2N + 1)$ to form an unscaled image h . The variables involved are defined by Table 1. The process of optimization, as shown in Fig. 1, comprises a search for the mask k_{opt} in a domain, or set of acceptable masks, K for which $f(G, k)$ is maximum.

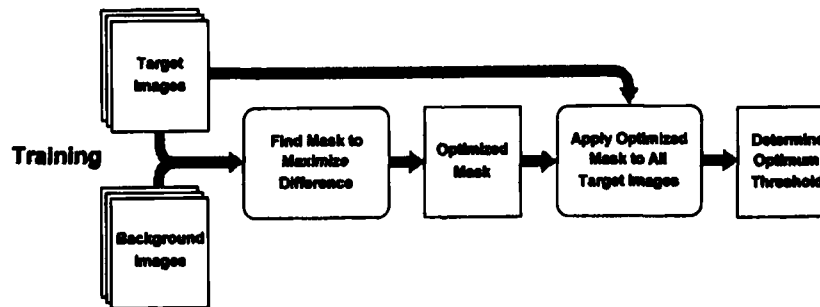
Table 1 — (U) Definitions of Variables

Object	Format	Class*	Domain†
Original Image	$g = g(i, j)$	$g, i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$	$0 \leq g \leq G$ $1 \leq i \leq I$ $1 \leq j \leq J$
Convolution Mask	$k = k(m, n)$	$k \in \mathbb{R}$ $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$	$-K \leq k \leq K$ $-N \leq m \leq N$

* \mathbb{Z} represents the set of all integers and \mathbb{R} the set of all real numbers

† G is the maximum grey level in g , and K is the maximum absolute value for an element of k .

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Fig. 1 — (U) Schematic diagram of autonomous target-detection system

(U) The convolution operation $h = g * k$ is commonly defined by

$$h(i, j) = \sum_{m=-N}^N \sum_{n=-N}^N g(i + m, j + n) \cdot k(m, n). \quad (1)$$

Where a mask is used as a feature detector (as in the current project), it is normal to apply the zero-sum constraint

$$\sum_{m=-N}^N \sum_{n=-N}^N k(m, n) = 0. \quad (2)$$

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CLASSIFICATION**Appendix A****FORMAL METHODS TECHNIQUES (U)****(U) SOFTWARE COST REDUCTION (SCR)**

(U) The description presented here is based on our understanding of the work performed at Ontario Hydro (on the Darlington shutdown system). This work includes evolutionary enhancements to (Henry 1978) by Parnas, his colleagues, and others.

(U) How the Method Works**(U) Representations Used**

(U) Tabular representations of software requirements (described in a blackbox manner) and of program functions. In the latter case, the tables are called "program function tables" and, essentially, are "strongest post condition" descriptions of a procedure. The strongest post condition explicitly states how a variable is modified by a procedure. Also included are "linkage tables."

(U) The tabular approach to describing software requirements is derived from the work performed at NRL. For this reason, we call the approach "SCR-style." The derivation of program function tables and the use of proofs (described below) were not part of the initial work on the SCR.

(U) Steps Performed

(U) The Darlington project was generally a reverse engineering exercise. The code already existed when they developed the specifications and other tables. Proofs were required to demonstrate that a routine specification was equivalent to the program function description. Proofs were performed by hand, though it could be mechanized.

(U) Code linkage tables identify how the outputs of a program function table may be used as inputs to other program function tables. It is through code linkage tables that all the physical inputs and program variables that have an effect on a physical output are identified. Similar linkage tables exist for the specification. Hence, linkage tables help to modularize the descriptions of the specification and code. Interaction between asynchronous processes was viewed as interprocess I/O occurring via shared data objects. Each process had its own specifications and program function tables. Processes were analyzed separately and the process interaction was handled separately from program function table analysis.

(U) Tools Applied

(U) No specific tools exist to support the SCR-style of documentation. Tools are expected to be developed.

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